PHOENIX COLLEGE FACULTY ASSOCIATION
Faculty Senate Meeting
Monday, November 17, 2014
Willo Room
3:00 – 4:30 pm
Meeting Minutes

I. General

A. Meeting was called to order by Salina at 3:05PM.

B. Roll call

Senators Present: Salina Bednarek (President), John Schampel (President Elect), Adrianna Coronel, Frank Marfai, Anna Marti-Subirana, Victor Cornell, Scott Geddis, Robin Ozz, Fred Amador

Senators Absent: Kate Cross, Michael Wilson, Andrea Villarreal, Dawn Klecka, Geof Eroe.

Visitors: Amy MacPherson, Kory Ambrosich, Brenda Maynard, Dawson Dopp

C. Approval of the agenda

A motion was made (Geddis) and seconded (Marfai) to approve the agenda as written. Motion passed unanimously.

D. Approval of minutes

A motion was made (Marti-Subirana) and seconded (Geddis) to approve the minutes from the November 7th meeting. Motion passed with 3 abstentions.

II. Business

A. Spring Meeting Dates

Salina reminded the Senate the spring meeting dates needed to be set in light of the Senate needing to meet more frequently throughout the 14-15 academic year. A motion was made (Geddis) and seconded (Marfai) to change the scheduled January 9th meeting to January 16th from 1-3PM. Motion passed unanimously.

A second motion was made (Cornell) and seconded (Marti-Subirana) to approve Feb 20, April 17 and May 15 from 11:30-1:30PM as additional Senate meetings for the spring semester. Motion passed unanimously.

B. Fall Faculty Potluck

A motion was made (Ozz) and seconded (Amador) to host an end of semester faculty potluck. The potluck will be held on December 17th from 11a-1pm in a room to be announced. Motion passed unanimously.

III. Officer and Committee Reports

A. President's Report

Salina reported to the Senate that Senate Leadership continues her meetings with departments and their faculty. So far they have met with CTL & Library and have Math, Dental and Fine & Performing arts this coming week. Salina encouraged all faculty departments to schedule a meeting so as to increase communications of the Senate and the faculty at large. So far the meetings have been great conversation. Salina reported that most recently a faculty line was awarded to AJS from the vacated Library FTE. Salina & John continue to attend PET and anticipate discussion of additional faculty lines for the next fiscal year in the coming months. Salina also reported that she and John met with LC Director, Terry Kelly and it appears that tutoring issues have been resolved. Any new concerns should be forwarded to Salina. Department Chairs and Administration have been sent the Instructional Grievance Process for reminder. Salina reminded everyone this process should be followed for both full time and part time faculty.

B. Officers Reports

President Elect – No report
Treasurer – See Appendix A
Secretary – No report
Past President – Patty reported on First Year Residential Experience (FYRE)

C. Faculty Executive Council (FEC)

Faculty Association membership is still being tabulated and is anticipated soon. FEC continues to dialogue about a direct appointment process that has been outlined from district HR. FEC continues to have concerns about the overall process and FA leadership continues to work with the VCHR. An election committee for the AY '15-16 President Elect will be seated at the next FEC meeting. Salina reminded all Senators that they are eligible to run for the position.

D. Budget Review Committee (BRC)

Salina reported that the BRC charter the Senate has approved has been forwarded to PCLC for approval. The Committee will now focus on zero based budgets for object codes in our operational budget. At the last BRC meeting, the committee was provided copies of the operational budget and drilled down in to a department to view what goes into a departments' object code. Salina also reported the committee voted to roll this year's capital funds to the next fiscal year

in order to award $200,000 in the fall of 2015. It is anticipated the request from will be available in the spring semester and remain open through the summer.

E. Senate Standing Committees

PRRC – Salina asked the PRRC to look at the flow sheet of the grievance process and revise as needed.
Committee on Committees – no report
Professional Standards – no report

IV. Information

A. Meet & Confer

The committee continues to work on the prioritized issues for this academic year: Lab Loading, Conflict Resolution & Residential Faculty Overload. All of these issues are being scoped and worked by team members assigned. The team is hopeful to have conflict resolution and faculty overload worked this year. Lab loading will be likely take two years to fully dialogue and work.

B. College Plan Ad Hoc Committee

Workgroups for the ad hoc committee have been established. Workgroups are reaching out to their constituents and soliciting input. The timeline includes language to be developed and finalized by January 2015, loop out to departments in Feb – March, and vote as a faculty at large in April.

C. Staffing Committee

Proposals have been received. Committee is reviewing proposals and deliberating. The committee will have recommendations by the end of the semester.

D. Maricopa Priorities

Scott reported on the HPF&W department's progress in the closure of the Fitness Center. There will be a focus group for constituents on Wednesday the 19th. The Action Plan deadline has been moved up to before Thanksgiving.

E. SMAC

Salina reported on the decisions made by SMAC, approved by PET and then sent back to SMAC for revision based on department feedback. Salina has made a request Administration to have the process reviewed in order to include department feedback prior to the final approval by PET.

V. Zone Reports

Zone 1 - No report.

Zone 2 – Robin reported that the Writing Center has been moved to the B Building due to limited space in the Learning Commons. It was also reported that eLearning is discussing online evaluations courses & faculty.

Zone 3 – No report.

Zone 4 – No report.

VI. Adjournment

A motion was made (Marfai) and seconded (Cornell) to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 4:40PM. Motion passed unanimously.

Next Faculty Senate Meeting
Friday, December 5, 2014
1:00 – 3:00 PM
Willo Room